

WASHINGTON, DC – Congressman Joe Courtney today announced that Groton-based Electric Boat secured a \$91,151,493 contract modification from the U.S. Navy to develop and update design drawings, and evaluate new technology for Virginia-Class submarines. Ninety-one percent of the work will be performed at Groton, with the remainder completed at Newport News, Quonset, and Newport. According to the Navy, work is expected to be completed by September of 2012. The contract will be supported by EB's engineering and design operation, which includes more than 3,000 employees.

"Today's announcement once again reinforces testimony from the highest ranks of the Pentagon that our submarine fleet is indispensable," said Congressman Courtney. "EB has repeatedly demonstrated that they can do the work asked of them on time and without costly overruns, and, as evidenced by this contract, the Navy will continue to rely on them for support of our nation's newest and most effective submarines. This is very good news for our region, its economy and the men and women of Electric Boat."

Congressman Courtney is the sole member of the Connecticut Congressional delegation to sit on the House Armed Services Committee. He is a member of the Seapower and Expeditionary Forces Subcommittee, which has jurisdiction over the U.S. Navy, and he is the co-chairman of the House Shipbuilding Caucus.

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